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M. Jules Henry Host At Large Reception At French Embassy

Charge d'Affaires, Who Soon Will
Leave Post Here, Receives Many
Friends of Long Standing.

By PHYLLIS THOMPSON.

AFTER 18 years en poste in Washington, M. Jules Henry's English, though fluent, is spoken with a pronounced accent and he is every inch a Frenchman, but it is common knowledge that the Charge d'Affaires here not only knows but understands American and America as well—perhaps better—than any other diplomat. No one is more shy of publicity of this kind than M. Henry, and nothing could have been more typical than his answer to the question of how long he had been here when he said, "Too long, every one is tired of me."

It is at the cost of repetition to say that M. Henry will be missed most awfully when he leaves Washington March 12 for New York, thence to sail for France. It can only be hoped, which has been murmured before, that a few years from now we may look forward to welcoming this popular envoy back to Washington as His Excellency the French Ambassador.

British Ambassador Pays His Respects to Envoy.

The French Embassy, impressive edifice on Kalorama road, was filled with members of the diplomatic corps, officials of our Government and close friends of M. Henry in residential circles yesterday afternoon when he entertained at a late afternoon reception. Beautiful flowers filled the many vases and in the dining room a buffet offered everything that the heart could desire from the superior Embassy cuisine. Champagne flowed freely as did every other kind of beverage for which one asked. Sir Ronald Lindsay, His Britannic Majesty's Ambassador, whose presence cannot always be recorded at such functions, was there towering above the crowd. When glimpsed from the far side of the room he was deep in conversation with Representative Edith Nourse Rogers.

Supreme Court Justice And Other Officials Present.

The Secretary of Commerce and Mrs. Daniel C. Roper, the latter wearing a hunter's green dress and hat, were among the many guests, and arriving a bit later was the newly appointed justice of the Supreme Court and Mrs. Stanley F. Reed. Mrs. J. Hamilton Lewis was seen in the gathering, but if Senator Lewis was there we did not happen to see him. The chief of the Division of Protocol, Mr. George T. Summerlin, accompanied by his daughter-in-law, Mrs. George T. Summerlin, Jr., were among the first arrivals. Also from the State Department circle, the chief of the Division of International Conference and Mrs. Richard Southgate, the chief of the Division of European Affairs and Mrs. Jay Pierrepont Moffat and the chief of the Division of American Republics, Mr. Laurence Duggan.

Present though unaccompanied by his charming wife, who is ill, was the Argentine Ambassador, popular Senator Don Felipe A. Esqui, who was seen conversing with the Mexican Ambassador, Senator Dr. Don Francisco Castillo Najera. Close by Spanish was the chosen language as there were the Spanish Ambassador and Senora de los Rios, whose smile is ingratiating and most appealing.

The Netherlands Minister and Mme. de With, the latter always the epitome of chic, formed another group with Miss Marion Trumbull and Maj. Perry Heath, while not far off Frau Scholz, wife of the First Secretary of the German Embassy, was engrossed in conversation with Mrs. Samuel Connor and Mrs. Millard Tydings, whose black dress, large black hat turned up on one side and trimmed with a very large veil, and short sable jacket presented a fashion plate.

Embassy Ladies Hostesses For French Ambassador.

The ladies of the Embassy staff acted as hostesses. Looking charming (Continued on Page 8, Column 5.)



Mrs. Charles Hamilton Madison and Mrs. William D. Brewster, members of the committee for the Navy Relief Ball, Tuesday, March 1, in the Sail Loft at the Navy Yard, inspect decorations.



Mrs. Joseph C. Fegan and Mrs. Leroy P. Hunt from Marine Corps circles, members of the committee for the ball, check up on the draperies which will be used in the Sail Loft.



Mrs. Robert Munroe, a member of the Music Committee, passes on some of the tunes which Lt. Benter and his new band will play at the Navy Relief Ball.



Mrs. Ralston Holmes, general chairman of the Harbor Committee, has many busy days ahead as plans progress for the outstanding benefit ball.—Underwood & Underwood Photos.

Society of Sponsors To Be Received at White House.

MRS. ROOSEVELT will receive the Society of Sponsors of the United States Navy at the White House Wednesday afternoon between 4 and 5 o'clock. Mrs. Roosevelt is a member of the society.

The society will open its annual meeting at the Mayflower Hotel at 10:15 o'clock Wednesday morning, with Mrs. Russell C. Langdon, president, presiding. Members of the society will attend the annual patriotic service at the Washington Cathedral this afternoon at 4 o'clock, when the Midshipmen Chorus from the Naval Academy at Annapolis will take part in the service.

The trustees, Mrs. Langdon, Mrs. William Garty of Concord, Mass.; Mrs. Nathan Goff of Clarkburg, W. Va.; Mrs. J. Edward Palmer of Ventnor, N. J.; Mrs. Albert Sutcliffe of New York; Mrs. Jennings Bailey, Jr.; Mrs. George Barnett, Mrs. Ella Herbert Micon and Mrs. Albert W. Stahl of Washington, and Mrs. Wilson Lee of Silver Spring, Md., will hold a meeting at the Mayflower Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock.

There will be a round table dinner at the Mayflower at 7 o'clock, which many of the sponsors, who come from all parts of the United States, will attend.

The annual luncheon will be given in the Chinese room of the Mayflower at 1 o'clock Thursday, when the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Charles Edison; Admiral William D. Leahy, chief of naval operations, and Rear Admiral William G. Du Bose, chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repair, will be the guest speakers.

Grosvenors Hosts.

Dr. and Mrs. Gilbert Grosvenor will entertain at a small tea this afternoon, having invited a few friends to meet Mr. and Mrs. J. Hall Paxton who are house guests for several days. Mr. Paxton, who was wounded in the recent Panay disaster, is on leave of absence from his post as Second Secretary of the American Embassy in China.

Last evening Dr. and Mrs. Grosvenor entertained at dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Paxton and after the dinner Dr. and Mrs. Grosvenor took their guests to the Chevy Chase Club.

Diplomatic Activity Of Week

Many Out of City. Luncheon and Dinner.

THE Ecuador Ambassador, Senor Capitan Colon Eloy Alfaro, who is spending the week end at West Point with his sons, will meet Senora de Alfaro this week. Senora de Alfaro has been visiting in her home country since the autumn and recently has been in Panama for a short stay. The Ambassador and Senora de Alfaro will come to Washington later in the week.

The Italian Ambassador and Donna Matilde de Suvich will return the middle of the week from Florida, where they have made a brief visit. The Ambassador and Donna Matilde will entertain at dinner Thursday evening and will be hosts at dinner again Friday evening.

The German Ambassador, Herr Hans Dieckhoff, will return the middle of the week from the South, where he has been for a week. The Ambassador went to the University of North Carolina to make an address early last week and since then has been motoring through Tennessee.

The Swiss Minister and Mme. Peter will return Tuesday or Wednesday from Boston, where they are spending the week end and holiday with their sons and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Georges Peter and Mr. Marc Peter, Jr.

The Austrian Minister and Mme. Prochuk will entertain at luncheon Wednesday in compliment to the returning Irish Minister and Mrs. MacWhite, who will sail next week to re-

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Manhattan Mirror

New Yorkers Swept "Off Feet"
by Growing Skiing Craze.
"The Game" Grips Crazy.

By Grace Hendrick Eustis

ON WEDNESDAY afternoon the Sun Valley Ski Club of Sun Valley, Idaho, which is Averell Harriman's brain child, showed colored motion pictures of the East-West college meet held there this winter and beautiful shots of cross country and slalom racing. It was held at one of the big department stores and so large was the crowd that they had to show the pictures twice.

Friday, a week ago, in spite of the fact there was no snow except in two areas of more than a dozen, 1,400 people left the Grand Central Station in snow trains. This week end and the next it is impossible to get on any ski train or stay in any skiing center except through a cancellation. So we decided it was time to write concretely of this mania, which has driven ordinarily sensible people up into the snow and fir trees of the mountains to work like wood choppers, feel like eagles and possibly break their legs.

The charms of this sport are that it can be taken up and done adequately at any reasonable age (Harvey Gibson, admittedly over 50 started down slopes); that all grades of skiers can go up together for a week end (they separate for skiing and meet for meals and the evening); that it is as democratic as a national convention and is available to all incomes.

For instance, there are five or six places in Massachusetts and upper New York State where it would be difficult to spend more than \$10 for a week end. The trains pull out Friday evening, arriving early the next morning. They stay in the station all day Saturday and Sun-

day until it is time to return. The cars are kept heated and air conditioned and as many meals are served as people can eat. The skiers may spend the night in the train or be put up at local farm houses. Some trains even carry ski equipment that can be rented or bought. When the skiers get back to Grand Central Station Sunday night, there are dressing rooms where they can change and facilities for checking their outfits until the next week end. For this trip the railroad fare, plus accommodation and food, costs \$5.

Last week end we went on our first jaunt, somewhat timidly, with borrowed clothes and rented skis, accompanied by a group of experts, to North Conway, Mass. This is the new place of the year. Harvey Gibson, president of the Manufacturers Trust Co., joint master of the Meadow Brook hounds and stepfather of Whitney Bourne, bought the hotel there and decided to put it across as a skiing center, as well as a summer resort. He was born in North Conway and it is his paternal ambition to give work to every one in the village, as well as to make it pay.

Here is a description of our first day's activities which would apply as well to Woodstock or Snow in Vermont, or Peckskill, in New Hampshire, where for \$45 everything on the entire week end can be taken care of, including drinks and tipping, ski lessons, railroad fare and the hotel bill.

Breakfast was served downstairs from 8 to 9, coffee cakes and baked beans added to everything else. At a quarter to 10 the buses left the big, rambling inn for the next morning. They stay in the station all day Saturday and Sun-

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Residential And Official News Notes

Hulls Will Return To the Capital Tomorrow.

THE Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, will return to the Capital tomorrow morning from Des Moines, Iowa, where he delivered an address last evening. The Secretary left Washington Friday.

The Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. Henry Morgenthau, Jr., are spending the week end and George Washington's birthday at their farm at Fishkill, N. Y. They will return to Washington Wednesday.

Mrs. Harry H. Woodring, wife of the Secretary of War, is planning to leave the Capital March 6, the day following the annual dinner of the Women's National Press Club, for Miami, Fla., where she will spend several weeks with her parents, former Senator and Mrs. Marcus A. Coolidge. Mrs. Woodring will be accompanied by her three children.

The Postmaster General, Mr. James A. Farley, joined Mrs. Farley the end of the week at Miami, where she has been for some time. He expects to be away for a fortnight.

The Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. Henry A. Wallace have as their guest at their apartment at Wardman Park over the week end Mrs. Addison Parker of Des Moines, Iowa.

The Secretary of Labor, Miss Frances Perkins, spent yesterday in New York City, where she made a speech to a small group. She returned to the Capital late last night. The Secretary will entertain at dinner Thursday evening preceding the Department of

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German Ambassador To Present Award To Mrs. Townsend

INVITATIONS have been issued by the German Ambassador, Herr Hans Dieckhoff, for Wednesday afternoon at 5 o'clock at the Embassy, when he will make the presentation to Mrs. Lawrence Townsend of the Haendel medal bestowed by the city of Halle, Germany. The ceremony of presentation will be followed by a reception.

The city of Halle, birthplace of George Frederick Haendel, established this award on the 250th anniversary of the great composer's birth, February 23, 1935, and is for meritorious service in behalf of Haendel and his music, as well as for the furtherance of the appreciation of music in general.

Mrs. Townsend, herself a gifted musician, not only playing the piano and singing, but composer of charming music, has worked continuously for better music and musicians.

Navy Relief Ball to Offer Novelties

French Village To Center About Harbor.

EACH day one hears more and more intriguing details of the coming Navy Relief Ball, scheduled to take place in the sail loft at the Navy Yard, Tuesday evening, March 1. With a magic touch, Mrs. Joseph M. P. Wright, chairman of the Decoration Committee, is turning not only the sail loft, but the harbor that night will represent a little French village with both indoor and sidewalk cafes. Cigarette girls and hostesses in lovely costumes, designed by Mrs. Frederick Bell, will wander about among the tables and the milk bar will be tended by equally attractive milk maids in costume.

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In older days, and for many years in succession, the "Navy Relief Ball" took place Thanksgiving night. Though originally it was given in the sail loft for a number of years it has taken place at the Willard Hotel. Again it returns to the more appropriate setting of the Navy Yard, due in great part to the efforts of the wife of the commandant of the Navy Yard, Mrs. George T. Pettigling, who has great imagination and visualized the possibilities the loft presents for such a party.

There are more interesting and exciting details to be given out at a later date, and from all reports and hints the ball is bound to be one of the great successes of the season.

Hostess Tuesday.

The Marchesa di Sant'Orsola, wife of the naval attaché of the Italian Embassy, will entertain Tuesday afternoon from 5:30 until 7 o'clock at her residence 4447 Hawthorne street. The Marchesa returned recently to Washington after spending many months in Italy.

Miss Jean Gilbert Weds Mr. Roger Moister, Jr.

Ceremony in Bethlehem Chapel.
Miss Melva Lucille Schultz
Among the Other Brides.

OF INTEREST to residential circles in Washington was the wedding yesterday afternoon in the Bethlehem Chapel of the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul of Miss Jean Gilbert, daughter of Mrs. Lewis Daniel Gilbert and the late Mr. Gilbert of Washington, formerly of Texarkana, Tex., and Mr. Roger William Moister, Jr., of Summit, N. J., son of Dr. and Mrs. R. W. Moister of Summit. The ceremony was performed by Canon Raymond L. Wolven. The altar was decorated with Easter lilies flanked by seven-branched candelabra.

The bride, who was escorted and given in marriage by Dr. George B. Tribble, wore an ivory satin gown fashioned with a heart-shaped neckline and a long, full train. Her veil was of illusion, over which she wore a veil of Belgian lace held in place with a coronet and caught at the top of the head with orange blossoms. She wore a face veil of illusion which she left as she left the altar.

Mrs. Stanley Irvine, cousin of the bride, of Marshall, Tex., was the matron of honor, wearing a blue chiffon gown with a shirred bodice and short puffed sleeves and a full skirt. She carried an arm bouquet of pink Briarcliffe roses and white lilies, tied with a wide satin ribbon which matched the roses.

Miss Leonie McCoy of Washington was the maid of honor, wearing a gown like that of the matron of honor's and carrying a similar bouquet.

The other attendants were Miss Elsie Lewis of University, Va.; Miss Mary Katherine Shaffer of Cass, W. Va.; Mrs. Frank Weller, the former Senora Amelita Alfaro, of Washington, and Mrs. John D. Battle, Jr., of Philadelphia, who wore gowns of pale yellow chiffon. They carried similar bouquets.

All of the attendants wore twists of chiffon in their hair to match their gowns, and starched linen shoulder veils.

Small Clement Corbin Woodhull, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Woodhull of Bob White farm, Madison, N. J., who wore a suit of black velvet with an Eton jacket and a white handkerchief linen blouse, was ring bearer. The suit was worn by the bridegroom when he was a little boy and was a page in a wedding.

A reception was held by the bride's mother at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Tribble. The drawing room was decorated in white flowers, and there were lilies on the mantel. Assisting in receiving were Mrs. Gilbert, Dr. and Mrs. Moister and Dr. and Mrs. Tribble. The bride's register was Mrs. Elias Huffman. Assisting in the dining room were Mrs. Harold Russell Young and Mrs. Jester Gibson. The table had as a centerpiece a low silver bowl with lilies of the valley and bride's roses and ferns, which was flanked by silver candelabra, holding white candles.

Mr. Frank Corbin Moister, brother of the bridegroom, of the Medical College of Dartmouth University, and the ushers were Mr. William H. Corbin, Mr. Jackey Hollow of Morristown, N. J.; Mr. Stephen S. Chamberlain of New York City.

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Mrs. Taft Receiving In South Carolina.

Mrs. William Howard Taft, widow of the former President and Chief Justice, has sufficiently recovered from her recent illness to go to Charleston, S. C., where she is recuperating. She was joined there yesterday by her daughter, Mrs. Frederick J. Manning, who will sail Wednesday for England. Mrs. Manning will be absent until the autumn and will be joined in June by Mr. Manning and their daughter, Miss Helen Manning.

Engagements Announced Today

Hester M. Laning
To Be Bride of
Dr. Pepper.

REAR ADMIRAL AND MRS. HARRIS LANING announce the engagement of their daughter Hester Marie to Dr. William Pepper and the late Mary Godfrey Pepper of Philadelphia.

Miss Laning attended Holton Arms School in Washington, was graduated from the Santa Barbara Girls' School, and has studied art both abroad and in this country.

She is a member of the Junior League, the Art Alliance of Philadelphia and of the Society of Sponsors of the United States Navy.

Dr. Pepper is an alumnus of Harvard School and received his doctor's degree in medicine at the University of Pennsylvania, where he is now on the staff of the Medical School. He is a member of Zeta Psi Fraternity and of the Huntington Valley Country Club.

Miss Kieselich Engaged
To Wed Cadet Baldwin.

MR. AND MRS. ALBERT V. KIESLICH of Burlington, Vt., announce the engagement of their daughter Kathleen Elsie to Cadet Lawrence Chandler Baldwin of the 1938 class at the United States Military Academy at West Point, N. Y.

Miss Kieselich is a graduate of the Burlington (Vt.) High School, class of 1932, and the University of Vermont, class of 1936. She graduated in the secretarial course. Magna cum laude, and is a member of the Alpha Chi Omega Sorority and of Phi Beta Kappa. At present Miss Kieselich is secretary to the chief engineer, American Foundation for the Blind, in New York City.

Cadet Baldwin is the second son of Col. Karl F. Baldwin, professor of

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Howes to Entertain.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bruce Howe will entertain at a reception late this afternoon at the Alibi, the small club on I Street. In music circles Mrs. Howe is known as Mary Howe, being an outstanding pianist and composer.